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President's Page

John E. Lenker, CSNA LM 1-21

We were shocked and saddened to learn as Calcoin News was going to press of the sudden and untimely death of S. Everett Phillips of Fresno. He had been legal counsel for California State Numismatic Association and had previously served as Director, Treasurer and President and had been on numerous committees. Everett was a cheerful face at all conventions.

Our sincere and heartfelt condolences go to his widow Ruth and to the other members of his family. We shall miss him. Good men are difficult to replace.

A big congratulations and hearty welcome to the many new members who have been joining the California State Numismatic Association in recent months. We are glad to have you and will do everything possible to make you feel at home.

Secretary Charles Colver tells me, "The results are fabulous. We received 190 new members and three new life members.

Most of these have become members because of an invitation prepared by Secretary Colver and mailed by the American Numismatic Association to its California members. It was no easy task, but the response has been overwhelming and we are all happy to have these new members among us. We hope they will become active participating members, attending and exhibiting in the semi-annual conventions and serving on committees.

You new members will find that since California is a long narrow state, bigger than some countries, a convention is held each fall in the south and each spring in the north. Many attend both conventions every year.

They are sponsored by one or more local clubs. Recently there has been a trend to have the northern convention in San Francisco and the southern fall gathering in the Los Angeles area.

All appears to be rolling along well for this fall at Pasadena Center in Pasadena. The dates are October 21-23 and that will be here before you know it. The Covina Coin Club is the sponsor and the convention is being chaired by Ethel Lenhert. The exhibits are being handled by Elizabeth Wisslead and Frank Strauss is in charge of the bourse. Plans are finalized for the program with the committees all at work.

During the convention we are planning to honor those who have been members of the California State Numismatic Society for 25 years or more. They were published on page 71 of the last issue of Calcoin News. So you "long time" members be sure and make an extra effort to be on hand for this conclave.

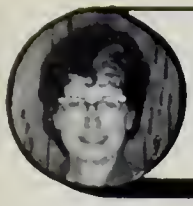
Ethel had a trial piece of the fall convention medal struck in lead. This she displayed at the last committee gathering and its design sure is unusual. The reverse is the traditional one, but the obverse is designed from one of the popular orange crate labels used by the Covina Orange Growers Association. The brand name is "Orange King" and of course the label is dominated by a huge and majestic crowned navel orange. There is a rumor that even some of the original labels will be available at the convention for the label collectors.

General Chairman O. L. Wallis of San Rafael reports that plans are progressing for the spring convention at Jack Tar Hotel in San Francisco, April 21-23, 1978. Begin making your vacation (or numismatic time off) plans for this big event. And here are some more — at Jack Tar April 19-22, 1979 and May 2-4, 1980. In the Southland Bay Cities and Culver City will be sponsoring the October 27-29, 1978 event; Orange County Coin Club in 1979; San Diego Interclub Numismatic Council in 1980 and San Bernardino County Coin Club in 1981 (upon approval by the Board of Directors). The 1980 conclave will probably be in the San Diego area. Those who are in charge of future Southland conventions will be looking on the Pasadena Center this fall with a critical eye.

Mrs. Lenker and I have been making an effort to attend club meetings and numismatic functions in recent months. One of the outstanding events at which we were present was the 62nd anniversary banquet of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society in San Francisco. It was a lively event indicating that numismatic enthusiasm continues in the Bay Area. Ten Past presidents were on hand. We enjoyed seeing many of our friends again and appreciate their hospitality.

There have been complaints about many things, principally in the exhibits and mainly in the exhibit rules. A committee is at work on this subject and hopefully we can get them ironed out, if not for this coming convention at least for the next one. Returning to separate categories for Ancient and Medieval is one of the items to be corrected. Defining the space and case limits is another and there are several more. If you have any constructive criticism please send it to me in writing.

We'll be seeing you in Pasadena in October and in San Francisco in April.



Editorially

The focal point of every club meeting is the evening program, be it in coins, stamps, or some other hobby get-together. An interesting way to present the subject at hand is by educational viewing. We, in the numismatic hobby in Southern California, are most fortunate to have several sources to call on for audio visual assistance.

The CSNA has a nice selection of slides and films. See page 89 of the Summer Issue of Calcoin News for the listing and information where to write. The Numismatic Association of Southern California has a fine library of slide programs which they are happy to share with their member clubs. Contact Albertus Hoogeveen, Post Office Box 222, Downey, CA 90241. The American Numismatic Association has an extensive collection of visual programs for use by ANA members. Write ANA, P.O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901. (Also, many military installations have an audio visual facility with slides or films on historical events they are glad to lend to organizations. Contact the specific Information Officer.) All slide presentations come with either a type-written documentary or a commentary on a standard tape-cassette.

This is instant programming for your evening entertainment. The subjects covered are far-reaching in both coins and currency, U.S. and Foreign, and may spark a new avenue of collecting. Remember the old adage: One picture is worth a thousand words.

Take advantage of the services offered by these numismatic organizations. It is yours for the asking. It is yours for enjoying.

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American Field Service Medallion

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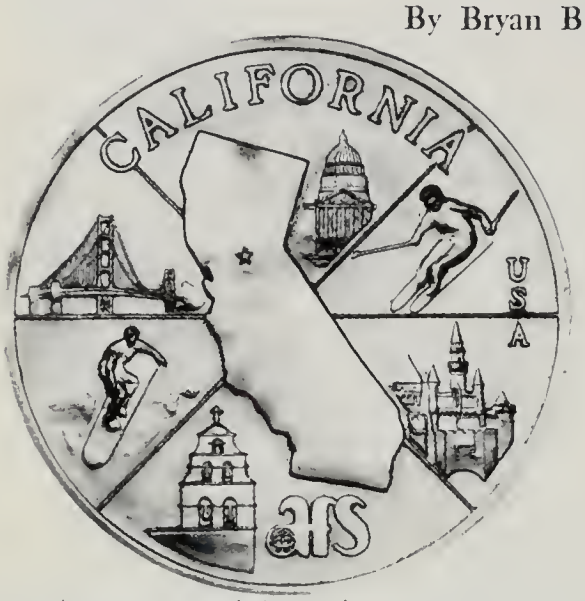

The abverse praclaims the attractions of California: Engineering (Golden Gate bridge), Gavernment (State Capital), History (a typical mission bell tower), Entertainment (surfing and skiing), and Disneyland.

The reverse uses the theme of the student exchange organizatian, "Walk together, talk tagether, all ye peaples of the Earth."

The cooperative efforts of artist Barbara Hyde of Medallicraft, and the American Field Service provides coin collectors with a chance to own a 39mm medallion which combines history, service, and artistic merit.

THE PRODUCT

The obverse of the antiqued bronze medallion reminds one of the theme of the AFS organization, "Walk together, talk together, all ye peoples of the Earth." The reverse shows two hemispheres illustrating the global aspect of this student exchange association.

This reverse, of interest to all, graphically tells of the attractions of California. The engineering of the Golden Gate bridge, the American government system at Sacramento, and the long history of California missions are highlighted. On the lighter side, one is reminded of the surfing and skiing available. Disneyland, the Magic Kingdom which lures so many visitors, is also represented.

THE AFS PROGRAM

The American Field Service has provided over 90,000 students and families from 86 nations a chance to live together and establish a bond of humanity which goes far beyond friendship. The teenaged exchange student who lives with an American family for a full school year actually becomes a contributing member of that family. The new brothers and sisters from far-off lands learn first hand about our customs, ideas, interests, and problems. The students, in turn, share their knowledge and cultures with their American families, their secondary school, and their new communities.

One of the American Field Service ambulances driven by volunteer Americans who sought to save lives rather than take them during the bloody First World War.

HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE

This worthy program was started by the returning American Field Service members after World War I. The 2,500 AFS members who drove ambulances behind the trenches wanted others to be able to learn about the people of Europe by living with a family just as they had done. They initiated a fellowship program so that American college students could attend universities in France. Before World War II had started, well over 200 scholarships had been awarded.

After World War II, it was discovered that the student exchanges were more valuable among teenagers in high school than with the older students. Also, because of world conditions, the foreign students were brought to the United States for a school year. However, in 1950, the Americans Abroad was added which allowed Americans to live with families in other lands.

This program, which is non-sectarian and non-profit, is oblivious to racial, religious, and economic differences. AFS prides itself in encouraging cooperation among people of different backgrounds.

THE MEDALLION

Barbara Hyde, recently honored for her art work by the President's Award of Merit from the University of Nebraska and known for her work for the American Numismatic Association, designed the medallion from a sketch supplied by the San Bernardino and Lake Arrowhead chapters of the AFS. This piece gives the same warmth and movement as Mrs. Hyde gave to the Charles A. Lindbergh medal she designed for the International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

AVAILABILITY

This historic medallion can be purchased directly from the producers: AFS Coin Production / P.O. Box 3595 / San Bernardino, California 92404. The price is $4, which includes postage and handling. Necklaces and other related items are available at a nominal fee.

It is through donations and sales such as this one that the 3,000 local chapters are able to raise the money necessary to keep the program going. Last year's budget was over $10,000,000. Your purchase will help in continuing the plan as it is now and prevent a curtailment of programs. Any cutbacks would eliminate students from poorer nations who add a richness and diversity to the program.

Golden Anniversary

Ben and Anne Williams of Sunnyvale, California celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 29, 1977. Ben is C.S.N.A. Life Member #11-4.

Natives of Nebraska, both Ben and Anne attended the University of Nebraska where they first met and were married in 1927 after graduation.

Ben was a professional engineer, both civil and mechanical. He built bridges for seventeen years, then worked as an aircraft designer for nearly 27 years. He has been interested in numismatics since 1923 and has been active in both local and regional clubs in Seattle and Centralia, Washington as well as Long Beach and Sunnyvale, California. He has been president of a number of clubs and is currently serving as an officer in the Northern California Numismatic Association. Ben holds Life Membership #284 in the American Numismatic Association.

The Williams' have lived in Sunnyvale, CA for the past 17 years where Anne has been active in health care activities.

Congratulations from C.S.N.A. to Ben and Anne for continued health and happiness.

C.S.N.A.'s 30th Year

A commemorative item of base metal has been issued for the 30th Anniversary of the California State Numismatic Association.

The obverse shows the Cal State logo and the reverse reads: 30 Years Serving California Coin Collectors with the dates 1947 - 1977 horizontally across the center. The medal is 38mm.

This is an excellent exonumia item and can also be included in the group of Cal-State souvenir pieces.

All proceeds go to the Junior Scholarship Program. The medals are $1.13 each and can be ordered from Calcoin News, P.O. Box 499, Colton, Ca. 92324.

First Woman Director of the Mint

Nellie Tayloe Ross

By Albert K. Hall, C.S.N.A. LM 21-6

The first woman appointed as Director of the U. S. Mint and elected to the Governorship of the State of Wyoming, has led a life that remains a tribute to womanhood anywhere in the world.

She was born Nellie Tayloe November 27, 1876 at St. Joseph, Missouri to James Wynne and Elizabeth Blair (Green) Tayloe of Virginia ancestry. She was educated in public and private schools, specializing in literature, but did not attend college.

Nellie married William Bradford Ross, a lawyer from Dover, Tennessee on September 11, 1902 in Omaha, Nebraska. They returned to Cheyenne, Wyoming to continue the law practice William had started the year before. During the next twenty years, Nellie gave birth to four sons. George Tayloe and James Ambrose, twins; Alfred Duff who succumbed in infancy, and William Bradford. Ambrose died in young adulthood in an auto accident. Her time was consumed with the Episcopal church, Boy Scouts, and Woman's Club activities.

Mrs. Ross became involved in Wyoming Democratic politics only as the wife of a potential governor which became a reality when he took the oath of office in January, 1923 as the ninth elected governor of Wyoming.

The happiness that pervaded every corner of the Governor's mansion was suddenly halted with the untimely death of William Ross in October, 1924 as a result of a ruptured appendix. Because of the closeness, and intimate knowledge of the Governor's policies and ideals, she was prevailed upon to run for the remainder of her husband's term of office. She was elected by 8,000 votes over her opponent, E. J. Sullivan and became Governor in January, 1925. She continued her husband's programs that he had inaugurated. Wyoming was admitted as the 44th State of the Union in 1890. The center of Congressional controversy because the state constitution provided for the right of women to vote. Thus it was only fitting that it should provide the nation with it's first woman governor. Her term expired in January, 1927 as a result of her narrow defeat of less than 1,500 votes to Frank E. Emerson, a Republican. Mrs. Ross attributed her close defeat to inexperience. She contended that she had failed to campaign and get the "attention of the voters." During the campaign she had chosen to stay in the capital and attend to the State business.

OBVERSE: Bust of Governar Nellie Taylae Ross, Director of the Mint of the United States, 1933.

REVERSE: An allegorical figure, seated before a stand and weighing coins. A scroll is held in her left hand. A shield with the arms of the Treasury Department. A stack of ingots; a modern coining press. Araund the edge are the names of the four principal departments af the Mint; Melting and Refining; Coining; Assaying; Engraving.

From 1927 she traveled extensively, lecturing in every state to all types of organizations about women's roles in government, She made the seconding speech for Al Smith, Democratic Presidential candidate in 1928 running against Herbert Hoover. Al Smith had been nominated by Franklin Delano Roosevelt. After the election she became Vice-Chairman of the Democratic National Committee in charge of women's

activities in the party. She brought a much needed ladylike, but business approach, image to women's activities. It had been scarred by the toughness presented by the women's suffrage movement during the past four decades. The women's vote was directed by Nellie T. Ross in 1932 culminating in the election of Franklin Delano Roosevelt as the 32nd President of the United States.

The appointment of Nellie Tayloe Ross as Director of the Mint on May 1, 1933 by President Roosevelt was indeed a milestone. She became the first woman Director of the Mint, adding to her prior first, as first woman Governor of Wyoming.

As Director of the Mint she supervised the minting of all United States coinage and directed the vast and complex activities of the government institutions which receive, assay, pay for, store and safeguard practically all of the government's billions of dollars of gold and silver. The various institutions under her supervision were the Bureau of the Mint in Washington, D.C., U.S. Mints in Philadelphia, Denver, San Francisco, and the U.S. Assay Offices in New York, Seattle, and New Orelans. A number of offices that had been in operation during the term of her predecessor, Robert J. Grant had since been closed. During Mrs. Ross's term, she supervised the construction of the new gold depository in Fort Knox, Kentucky and the silver depository at West Point, New York. Another first for her was to have the distinction of being the first woman to have her name appear on the cornerstone of a Government building on both of the depositories and the new San Francisco Mint. She was instrumental in developing a trained security force at all the institutions who were armed, neat and presented an "espirt de corps" type morale never before evident.

The economic "depression" that had plunged the financial world to the bottom was in the process of being revitalized. The first 100 days of the "New Deal" of President Roosevelt had started a drastic turn around in demand for coinage and other related business of the mint. The Emergency Banking Relief Act March, 1932 reopened the nation's banks and the removal of the U.S. from the Gold Standard were two acts that greatly influenced the turn around.

In 1932 the introduction of the George Washington quarter, with a total mintage of 6½ million pieces, was the only large coinage production until 1934. Less than 20 million cents were struck in 1932. In 1933 during Mrs. Ross's first year, only 20½ million cents and 1,876,000 Walking Liberty halves were minted. No nickles, dimes, or dollars were struck in 1932 or 1933. All of a sudden in 1934 the Mint was forced to operate 24 hours a day, even 7 days a week to meet the unprecedented demand for coins. This situation was nothing new for Nellie Tayloe Ross. Thrust into a situation she once again demonstrated her ability to cope with the problems of inadequate manpower, equipment, and working and storage space. She quickly developed a team of skilled and trustworthy personnel that was to serve her through one World War, a Police Action (Korea) and unparalleled economic prosperity. The very opposite condition of her first term.

Mrs. Ross was re-appointed by Presidents Truman and Eisenhower, making her tenure of twenty years the longest of any Mint Director. There were skeptics, as there were during her Governorship, who doubted any woman's ability to cope with all the complexities of the Mint operations. Nellie Tayloe Ross had once again demonstrated

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that she didn't have to prove herself to anyone. She knew who she was and that there were no limits when a capable woman sets her mind to it.

Mrs. Ross instituted a number of technical and practical innovations. Among them the new San Francisco Mint initiated the process of striking two coins simultaneously. There was an increase from 358 million pieces struck in 1934 to four billion during World War II, and the number of employees grew to over 4,000, an all time high.

The millions of medals, decorations and combat awards necessitated by World War II required a greatly expanded operation of the medal department. Furthermore, due to the war, large foreign coinage orders were placed with the U.S. Mint since the foreign mints were under heavy restrictions and inoperable conditions.

The shortage of critical war-time metals, especially copper and nickel, resulted in a new 5 cent copper-silver-manganese alloy being used. The mint mark "P" was used for the first time on the Philadelphia struck 5-cent pieces to indicate alloy change. The copper cents were replaced in 1943 with zinc coated steel. In 1945-46 salvaged cartridge cases were used in the cents resulting in a slight color variation.

In 1938, the 5-cent nickel was changed to bear the likeness of Thomas Jefferson which was designed by Felix Schlag, winner of a public contest.

In 1946 the "Mercury" or Winged Liberty device was replaced by the Franklin D. Roosevelt dime design of John R. Sinnock, Engraver of the Mint, as a material tribute to the late and very popular President Roosevelt.

The release of the Franklin Half Dollar in 1948, also designed by John R. Sinnock, was the favorite of Mrs. Ross. She had worked closely with the engraver of the design of the half dollar. Sinnock had designed the 1926 Sesquicentennial Cemmorative Half Dollar with replica of the Liberty Bell on the reverse. Mrs. Ross had desired to have Franklin on the coinage earlier, but because of her fondness for Benjamin Franklin, she felt that the larger coin would best serve the design of Franklin and the Liberty Bell. The eagle on the reverse was required by the Congressional Coinage Act of 1873. In defference to Ben Franklin's dislike of the eagle — he preferred the turkey — sculptor Gilroy Roberts added the small eagle to the right of the bell to balance with E Pnribus Unum of the left of it. Unfortunately, John R. Sinnock died May 14, 1947, a year before the official release of the Franklin Half Dollar for public circulation.

In 1950 proof coinage was resumed for the first time since they were discontinued in 1942 due to the war.

During the final years of Mrs. Ross's term, the Management Improvement Program resulted in improved operating procedures in each of the mints at Denver, Philadelphia and San Francisco. New melting and rolling equipment was installed, water cooled type molds were introduced and massive powerful rolling mill motors were designed to increase production without increasing personnel. Even uniforms were collected and washed to re-clean the gold dust residue that became attached resulting in a large saving.

Nellie Tayloe Ross's retirement can hardly be associated with that of a recluse. On the contrary she became a world wide traveler becoming aware of the plights of those less fortunate than herself and lending a helping hand wherever practical and possible.

In Washington, D.C. she has been an active member of the Woman's National Democratic Club, the American Newspaper Women's Club, and faithful to the Episcopal church.

Although more than a century of a full life, Mrs. Ross resides in Washington, D.C., a proud and erect lady who has given life fully in the sense it has been returned two fold to her.

Nellie Ross has pioneered in fields never before tried by women, but does not consider herself a militant advocate of women's liberation. She contends that "being a woman certainly should not mitigate for or against them. Candidates for public office should not be chosen on the basis of sex." Looking back to her defeat for a 2nd term as Governor of Wyoming, she still remembers "first you have to get the voter's attention."

Nellie Tayloe Ross's life story should get your attention.

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Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics

Frank Strauss — CSNA 1557

The Bourse Chairman of the 61st Semi-Annual Convention of the California State Numismatic Association is an active coin dealer — Frank Strauss.

Frank was born and raised in Dorchester, Mass. He moved to Califorina in 1947. He is married and he and his wife, Adell, have two children; a son and a daughter. Frank and Adell now live in the city of Monrovia, California.

His coin collecting started back in 1956-1957, when he and his friend, Mel Melton, started in the coin business. Frank now owns and operates a coin and stamp shop in the city of Monrovia, California, which he opened in 1962 and has had a prospering business ever since. In his shop you can find young people asking questions and eagerly waiting for his answer. Frank does all he can to help these young people find the coins they are seeking and welcomes the opportunity to help whenever he can.

Not content just to sell coins, Frank is also a collector and very active in the local coin clubs. To name a few, he has been president and vice-president of the Monrovia Coin Club and the Covina Coin Club a number of different times. He is also active in the SIN and COIN organizations having held various chairmanships at each annual convention.

In addition to working in his home clubs Frank has contributed educationally to the local clubs by going to their meetings and giving talks on various subjects. In the book titled MONEY TALKS you will find one of his published articles on THE COIN AND CURRENCY OF THE CIVIL WAR.

The Covina Coin Club has had sixteen (16) coin shows; the first two were jointly sponsored with the Monrovia Coin Club and the balance sponsored solely by the Covina Coin Club. Frank was a co-chairman those first two years and since then has been the general chairman for the Covina club. In addition to being the general chairman, Frank has also taken care of the bourse. The fact that Covina has had very successful shows is attributed to the vigor and enthusiasm which Frank exhibits in running the shows.

My contact with Frank first came at the Covina Coin Club and when he needs a job done he brings it before the membership and challenges them to participate by bringing displays, serving on the various committees, as well as helping during the convention. In this way all the members are included and made to feel it's their show because they have had an active part.

When you are at the convention in October, drop in the Bourse Room and say hello to Frank.

Ethel Lenhert — CSNA-1564

Be A Life Member

Life Membership in the California State Numismatic Association is available for $100. This saves the annual payment of dues, and could save you money. Information may be obtained by writing Charles G. Colver, Secretary, 611 N. Banna Avenue, Covina, California 91724.

Money Museum Curator Elected P.N.A.S.

Dr. Angelita G. de LeGarda, Money Museum curator of the Central Bank of the Philippines, was recently elected President of the Philippine Numismatic and Antiquarian Society. Dr. Legarda is the first woman ever to hold that position in the 48 year history of the organization.

Many faceted is the only term for Angelita G. de Legarda M.D. Philippine pediatrician, wife and mother, numismatist, author, and consultant to the Central Bank Money Museum. Her husband Benito Legarda is a senior staff member of the Central Bank, the institution which issues the currency of the Republic of the Philippines.

Dr. Legarda also plays a key role in the Philippine Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, publishers of the "Barrilla" a quarterly journal of numismatics of the country. The Society and the Money Museum work closely on the advancement of the numismatic field. She recently published a history of coinage in the Philippines entitled "Piloncitos to Pesos."

CONGRATULATIONS! to Angelita (CSNA #2929) from Cal-State and all 1473 members.

Dr. Angelita G. de Legarda

Calif. State Numismatic Assn. Memorial Educational Fund

Friends of S. Everett Phillips and other departed members of the California State Numismatic Association have proposed a plan to perpetuate their memory. This already has the approval of many of the board members, but must be adopted by the entire board which will be meeting at the Pasadena Convention.

The plan is similar to the Heart Fund and the Cancer Fund. It would be called the California State Numismatic Association Memorial Educational Fund. It has been started with several anonymous donations in memory of Everett Phillips, Dr. Calbert Emmons, David Redfield, Earl Parker, Ed Fogler and Roy Hill. No doubt others will also be remembered. In the future, in the event of the death of a numismatist, friends would make a contribution to the C.S.N.A. Memorial Educational Fund in the name of the deceased. The fund committee would list the contribution, send a card to the family of the deceased and acknowledge the contribution to the donor (except in the case of anonymous donors).

Interest from the fund would be used for educational projects to be decided by the committee. In the event the fund is not approved by the board by 1982 the contributions already received are to be turned over to the general fund and used for the library or slide program.

Funds may be mailed to the president or treasurer of CSNA.

Calif. State Numismatic Assn.

61st Semi-Annual Convention

YOUR HOST

Host for the 61st Semi-Annual Convention of the California State Numismatic Association is the COVINA COIN CLUB. The club was founded in 1957 and this year we are celebrating 20 years as an active coin club by hosting the CSNA convention. The club has sponsored a coin show for sixteen years and each year it has been very successful. Because of these successful shows, the club is able to do several unique things for its members, such as —

Paid up members may purchase the current year's Redbook for half price.

Following the coin show, the club has an Awards Dinner and paid-up club members may attend for half price.

One month of each year the junior club members run the entire meeting. The juniors meet with our Vice President and decide who will be president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer for that night. Our speaker is a junior member and the coin auction is handled by a junior. The adults sit back and enjoy the program.

The Covina Coin Club has a number of members who are also active in other clubs and organizations (the CSNA secretary is a good example of this).

The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Recreation Hall, Covina Park, 340 Valentia Street, Covina, Ca. When in Southern California during that week the Covina Coin Club will welcome your visit.

THE MEDAL

The reverse of the Medal for the 61st Semi-Annual Convention of CSNA is a reproduction of a Packing Box Label.

In earlier times the City of Covina was well known for its many orange groves. The various packing houses would paste their own label on the ends of the boxes before the oranges were shipped.

However, many orange groves have since given way to the building expansion so prevalent in California that it is hard to find very many nice groves any more.

The collecting of Packing Box Labels has now become quite a hobby and many are just as expensive as some of our coins in the coin collecting world.

The Packing Box Label chosen is one showing a large orange in the center topped with a crown, with a smaller orange near the large one. Across the top appear the words "Orchard King". To the right of the large orange are the words — "Grown and Packed by Covina Orange Growers Assn., Covina, Los Angeles County, Calif."

For interested collectors, the genuine Packing Box Labels, used many years ago by the Covina Orange Growers Association (and like the one on the medal) will be available at the registration desk. Your purchase of one of these will make a nice addition to your medal.

THE PLACE

The CSNA Convention will be held in the Conference Building at the Pasadena Center, 300 E. Green Street in the City of Pasadena. The Conference Building is only one of a number of meeting facilities available at the Center for conventions. Interspersed among the buildings are beautifully landscaped plazas. In the southeast quadrant is the Mishima Plaza, created in honor of Pasadena's sister city in Japan. On the south side of the Center Exhibition Building is the Ludwigshafen Plaza, named for Pasadena's German sister city. Relax here between meetings.

The Convention Center is located in very close proximity to the downtown area. Shopping in Pasadena offers an interesting diversity of selections from the quaint boutiques and specialty shops to the most sophisticated department stores.

In 1974 Pasadena celebrated its centennial year and that year also marked the first full year of operation of the new Pasadena Center. Much of Pasadena's reputation is rooted in its rich abundance of trees and flora that line the streets and avenues and the temperate climate helps add to its reputation as a resort-like community.

Begun in 1889, the annual Tournament of Roses is now a permanently entrenched tradition which has captivated the interest of millions of people. This New Year's Day flower-bedecked festivity draws entries and participants from many sections of the country. A multitude of breathtaking floats; civic, school, and university bands; and dazzling equestrian units make up this nationally televised event.

While the parade may be a hard act to follow, the new day of each year is not complete without the renowned Rose Bowl game. Nestled in the picturesque Arroyo Seco section of Pasadena, the Rose Bowl lies beneath the backdrop of the towering San Gabriel mountains.

Surrounded by these snow capped San Gabriel Mountains is the Pasadena Holiday Inn, situated on Pasadena's convention and exhibition center. It is architecturally designed to blend with the historic and progressive image of Pasadena — and it is the official CSNA convention hotel. The Holiday Inn offers all the accommodations one expects from a modern full service hotel. Further information concerning the hotel is enclosed with this issue of Calcoin News.

Our Friday Luncheon will be held in Justine's West dining room at the Holiday Inn. An interesting program on African Violets will be presented for your enjoyment. The speaker will be Mrs. Helen Carpentier of Montrose, California. Gifts and prizes will include some hand made items, delectable goodies, live plants, etc. Chairman Barbara Burke has planned an interesting get-together for your mid-day pleasure. Be sure to get your tickets early.

Yes there will be a Junior program at the convention at Pasadena Center in Pasadena. It will be on Saturday afternoon October 22. The program and details will be announced later.

Saturday for our Awards Banquet we again go to the Holiday Inn, but this time to the Piazza, a beautiful sky roofed Italian Court, with lots of hanging plants. You'll want to get tickets just to see the Piazza alone, but we do have a very delicious meal and a delightful evening planned for you. The exhibitors will want to be there for sure to see what prizes they won. Seating space is limited, so don't put off getting tickets. Then Sunday morning, its back to the Holiday Inn for our Sunday Breakfast. We go back to Justine's West dining room. Tickets are available at the Registration desk for all three of these events. Don't miss a single one!

We anticipate a great array of exhibits. If you want to exhibit at this convention — and who doesn't — contact Elizabeth Wisslead, our Exhibit Chairman, at 2053 Cypress Avenue, Santa Ana, Ca. 92707, and she will be happy to give you all the neeessary information.

About 70 bourse dealers are expected, coming from a variety of states, as well as a number from Southern California. Frank Strauss, our Bourse Chairman, may be reached at 122 So. Myrtle Avenue, Monrovia, Ca. 91016, for your questions concerning bourse.

Arrangements have also been made with Ambassador College in Pasadena for a tour of their facility. This tour is scheduled for Friday afternoon at 2:30 PM. Don't miss it.

The officers, board members, and club members of the Covina Coin Club extend to each of you a cordial invitation to join them at the Conference Building of the Pasadena Center, 300 So. Green Street, Pasadena, Ca., 21-23 October 1977, for a serendipitous adventure!

Ambassador College Tour

The Friday Luncheon will be followed by a free tour of the Ambassador College. Within walking distance of the Holiday Inn, the tour has been scheduled for 2:30 P.M.

Ambassador College is a very special place. It is a place that is dedicated to giving you a chance to discover . . . to learn . . . and to grow. Since it was founded in 1974 by Herbert W. Armstrong, Ambassador College has remained dedicated to providing the kind of challenges and opportunities you need to discover your individual human potential.

It comprises about 70 acres of former residential and commercial property and occupies nearly 12 square blocks. The college has preserved some of Pasadena's most notable mansions and culturally highlighted the city's 1974 centennial by opening the Ambassador Auditorium.

This will be an interesting afternoon interlude, plan to attend. Luncheon tickets will be available at the registration desk, get yours early!

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
61st SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION

21-23 October 1977

PASADENA CENTER
300 E. Green Street, Pasadena, Ca.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN: Ethel Lenhert
P.O. Box 63, Upland, Ca. 91786

EXHIBIT CHAIRMAN
Elizabeth Wisslead
2053 Cypress Avenue
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BOURSE CHAIRMAN
Frank Strauss
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Thursday, 20 October 1977

6:00 PM	Bourse room open for dealer set-up
7:00 PM	CSNA Executive Board meeting
10:00 PM	Bourse room closed

Friday, 21 October 1977

8:00 AM	Bourse room open to dealers only Exhibit room open to exhibitors only
10:00 AM	Convention officially opens Registration desk opens Bourse room open to the public Exhibit room open to the public Franklin Mint exhibit opens
12:00 Noon	Friday Luncheon
2:30 PM	Ambassador College Tour
8:00 PM	CSNA Educational Forum
10:00 PM	Bourse room closes Exhibit room closes

Saturday, 22 October 1977

9:00 AM	Bourse room open to dealers only
10:00 AM	Registration desk opens Bourse room open to the public Exhibit room open to the public Franklin Mint exhibit opens
10:30 AM	CSNA General Business meeting (All CSNA members invited to attend)
1:00 PM	California Exonumist Society meeting
6:30 PM	CSNA no host Cocktail Hour
7:30 PM	CSNA Awards Banquet
10:00 PM	Bourse room closes Exhibit room closes

Sunday, 23 October 1977

9:00 AM	Bourse room open to dealers only
9:30 AM	No host Sunday Morning Breakfast (All CSNA members and guests are invited to attend)
10:00 AM	Registration desk opens Bourse room open to the public Exhibit room open to the public Franklin Mint exhibit opens
5:00 PM	Convention officially closes Bourse room closed for dealers to pack Exhibits to be removed from Exhibit Room Security room open for dealers
7:00 PM	Security room officially closed and abandoned

In Memoriam

S. EVERETT PHILLIPS
May 2, 1921 - August 7, 1977

S. Everett Phillips, C.S.N.A. Past President and Legal Advisor passed away suddenly August 7, 1977. He was born in Hanford, California on May 2, 1921.

During the war years of 1942-1945 he served with the U.S. Army Finance Department.

Everett entered the law profession in 1951 and continued in general practice up to his untimely death.

A numismatic interest developed when family members convinced him he should join the collecting hobby. This led to holding offices with the Hanford Coin Club, Fresno Numismatic Society, and the California State Numismatic Association. He served as C.S.N.A. Treasurer 1967-69; Vice-President 1969-71; and President 1971-73. He also served as Assistant Historian — 1958 Fresno C.S.N.A. convention, 1965 Literary Awards Committee, and Chairman of the 1966 Fresno C.S.N.A. convention. As a writer he has contributed articles to the ANA's NUMISMATIST, and the Fresno Numismatist. He also had several radio appearances on coin exhibits and collecting. Everett always participated in Cal-State conventions with award winning displays, making available his knowledge and experience in the hobby to all who needed assistance.

Experience — Ability — Willingness To Work — these are three qualities exemplified by Everett. C.S.N.A. honored these attributes by awarding him the coveted Medal of Merit in 1973.

From the above, one can understand why he was one of the outstanding numismatists in the San Joaquin Valley. Everett was well-known throughout California. To know him was an enrichment to all of us. We shall miss him.

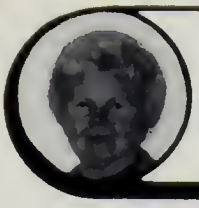
C.S.N.A. Honors 25-Year Members

Each individual name and CSNA membership number will be engraved on the ribbon.

In recognition of the faithful membership for twenty-five years or longer, C.S.N.A. has prepared a special engraved medal for all those long term members. Those to be recognized were named on page 71 of the Summer Issue of the Calcoin News.

The medal will be presented in person during the banquet at the upcoming Pasadena convention on October 22nd. We sincerely hope all honorees will make a special effort to be present to receive the personal recognition you deserve. If you are unable to attend, your medal will be mailed following the convention.

All officers and members of C.S.N.A. thank you for your years of continued support!



NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

South of the Tehachapis

By Elizabeth L. Wisslead, CSNA 720

Covina Coin Club's 16th Annual Coin-O-Rama, May 21, 22, 1977, VFW Hall, 2328 W. Merced Ave., West Covina, Calif. **Frank Strauss,** General Chairman.

Downey Numismatist's 12th Annual Coin Show, September 10, 11, 1977, Women's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Ave., Downey, Calif. **Walt Snyder,** General Chairman.

Fontana United Numismatist's Coin Show, June 26, 1977, Rialto Masonic Temple, 260 S. Palm, Rialto, Calif.

Numismatic Council of Orange County's 10th Annual Coin Show, October 8, 9, 1977, Sheraton Inn/Newport Beach, 4545 MacArthur Blvd., Newport Beach, Calif. **Jim O'Connell,** General Chairman, P.O. Box 6292, Santa Ana, Calif. 92706.

West Valley Coin Club's 19th Annual Coin Show, August 20, 21, 1977, Reseda Woman's Club, 7901 Lindley Ave., Reseda, Calif.

Ventura County Coin Club's Spring Coin Show, May 1, 1977, Holiday Inn of Ventura, Ventura, Calif.

DOWN SAN DIEGO WAY!!

San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council held its 20th Coinarama on July 9, 10, 1977 with a "Salute to Lindy". Officers for the 1977-78 year are: Pres. **Paul Moulton;** Vice-pres., **Dorothy Baber;** Secretary, **Catharine Edgerton,** Treasurer, **Howard Smith.** 16 Clubs participate in this council.

The Council's Joint Meeting will be held on November 6, 1977, Norman Park Center in Chula Vista. **Gladys Moulton** is the General Chairman.

Clairemont Coin Club recently heard **Catharine Edgerton** tell about "Famous Women On Coins and Medals". June meeting featured the theme "OLD GLORY".

Convair Coineers recently featured "Aviation" with material and discussion on the 50th Anniversary of the Flight from New York to Paris.

International Numismatic Society of San Diego reports that member, **Ken Aring,** has become expert in making slides and has offered to make them for fellow members at a small cost. There is a projector furnished at the meetings and members have the opportunity to view many slides. Past president, **Don Farr,** reports from his new home in New Mexico that he has located two clubs there, but finds one an hours drive each way. Daughter, **Erika** sent greetings to her California friends.

San Diego Numismatic Society celebrated its 40th Birthday with a Potluck Dinner on June 6, 1977.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES!!

Dr. and Mrs. Verner G. Rich, Fullerton, Calif., celebrated June 11, 1977. Both are active in the **Orange County Coin Club.**

Ben and Annie Williams, Sunnyvale, Calif. celebrated June 29, 1977. The Williams now live in the north area, however, Ben still maintains his membership #508, in the **Orange County Coin Club.**

Congratulations to these wonderful friends!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW ARRIVALS!!

Melissa Michelle Scott arrived on June 24, 1977, proud parents **Robert and Maxine Scott.** Bob is president of the **Torrance Coin Club.**

Tali Esther Abelson arrived on June 18, 1977, proud parents **Alan and Aliza Abelson.** Alan is first vice president of the **Israel Coin Club of Los Angeles.** Delighted grandparents are **Ben and Claire Abelson.**

SUMMERTIME IS PICNIC TIME!!

North Hollywood Coin Club's Annual Picnic was held on Sunday, July 24, 1977, at the home of loyal members **Bob** and **Beverly Killion.** Swimming, picnic dinner, other hobbies displays, prizes, fun and fellowship were all offered.

San Fernando Valley Coin Club's annual Picnic was held on Sunday, August 7, 1977, at the home of **Bea and Bill Halligan** in Burbank. Silver dollars and gold were offered as prizes in addition to good food.

ALOHA!!

"Hawaiian Holidays" was the theme of the program of the **West Valley Coin Club** on Sunday, June 24, 1977. **Clay Read** talked about King Kamehameha I (1795-1819). Prizes were awarded for the best, most unusual, Hawaiian dress.

GOOD OLD DAYS!!

Downey Numismatist offered the return of the "good ole days" with a 20 Peso gold coin in August. The August meeting also featured the annual White Elephant Sale. We certainly doubt that anyone would confuse a gold coin with a white elephant!!

COIN SHOWS — COINARAMAS — COLLECTIBLES SHOW!!

Calico Coin Club's 8th Annual Coin Show, September 18, 1977, Masonic Lodge, 27918 West Main Street, Barstow, Calif. Show Directors: **Kay King and Babs West,** P.O. Box 966, Barstow, Calif. 92311.

California Exonumist Society's 16th Annual Collectibles Show, July 31, 1977, Holiday Inn of Fullerton, Fullerton, Calif. Chairmen: Albert and Virginia Hall, P.O. Box 1028, Colton, Calif. 92324.

TWELFTH BIRTHDAY!!

Israel Coin Club of Los Angeles celebrated its 12th Birthday with a Potluck Dinner on August 7, 1977. State of California Assemblyman for the 44th Assembly District, **Meldon E. Levine,** was the featured speaker, using as his topic "The Arab Boycott and its effect on the State of Israel".

"The Twelve Tribes of Israel" was the topic used by **Helen Coombs** for her program in July.

Israel Numismatic Society of San Gabriel Valley needs an Editor for the **Olive Branch** according to President, **Donna Sims.** This has been an outstanding club bulletin and we feel sure a new editor will soon be found. Guest speaker, **Jim Silver** spoke on "Coinage of Turkey".

Plans are being formulated for the 5th Israel Holyland Expo to be held on May 28, 1978.

Israel Numismatic Society of San Fernando Valley publishes the **Ancient Scroll** each month. **Jerry Yahalom** is the new editor. **Dr. Ira Rezak** presented a special slide show on "Art and Artifacts of the Palestine Era".

THREE YEARS OLD!!

The **Hemet Numismatic Club** is three years old. The club meets on the second Thursday each month at the Whittier School in Hemet. President, **John Williams** and Director, **Gordon Hunt,** are reported to be well on the road to recovery from recent illness.

FANTASTIC FOURTEENTH!!

C.O.I.N., The Convention of International Numismatics, convened June 17-19, 1977 at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel, and indeed it lived up to its title "Fantastic Fourteenth". Registration was up to the 1,700 mark, educational forums were well attended and the speakers were all outstanding, bourse areas were busy, many rare items sold in the Christensen Auction, exhibits were superb, and **Milton Fishgold** is to be commended for an outstanding job as General Chairman!!

Dates for 1978 have been set — June 9, 10, 11, 1978, Los Angeles Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif. **Nate Bromberg** is the new President/General Chairman, **Philip B. D. Parks,** Bourse Chairman.

CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY

At 3 P.M. on Saturday, June 18, 1977, CES held an Educational Forum, in conjunction with C.O.I.N. **Tom Fitzgerald** presented "Those Magnificent Papal Medals" with slides and lecture. **Al Hall** was Moderator.

AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

T.A.N.S.'s annual Banquet was held on Saturday, June 18, 1977, in conjunction with C.O.I.N. Featured speaker: **Dr. Charles Aby,** his topic: "The Hookneck Eight".

FOR OUR GAL, VIRGINIA DENNIS!!

The **California Wooden Money Association** paid special tribute to **Virginia Dennis** for her outstanding service as **Publicity Chairman.** Virginia, a longtime Editor for the CWMA, realizes the importance of sending out releases on a regular basis. **Al Hall,** presented an educational program "Money Substitutes of Siam". Also distributed was literature "America's History is Written in Her Trees".

OTHER HOBBIES!!

Pomona Valley Coin Club featured other hobbies in July with exhibits on Flags, Railroad Nails, Lincoln, Star Trek, Early West Books & Guns, Harmonicas, Leather Post Cards, Pressed Glass, Sewing Kits for Travel, Bells & Bars. Photography.

Orange County Coin Club's Annual Other Hobby Night brought out displays of Jewelry & Gemstones, Leather Post Cards, Harmonicas, T Shirts, "Sweet Stuff" (Individual sugars), Sumural Sword Ornaments, Swords, Ash Trays, "Gertie's Dolls" (all handmade).

California Wooden Money Collectors showed miniature perfume bottles, medals, irons, photography equipment, books and homecraft.

Fontana United Numismatists exhibited Spectacles, Old Banks, Baseball cards, Thimbles, Geodes, Political buttons, Treens, Flag Stamps, Avon Car Bottles & Coin Bottles, Air Force Patches.

San Diego Numismatic Society members showed Rocks & Gems, Thimbles, Plant starters, Miniature Liquors, Roses, Geraniums, Cruise Pictures & Menu Cards.

CLUB WORKSHOP!!!

The 7th Annual Club Workshop sponsored by the **Numismatic Association of Southern California** was held on July 16th at the Hyatt House in the City of Commerce. At last count there were 109 in attendance and all voted their support for this fine club project. A panel of noted numismatists were on hand to answer questions from the floor. Members directed questions to the panel for answers and discussion in hopes of finding solutions to many of the problems the smaller clubs

are having. A fine lunch was served, all free to the attendees, and in the afternoon roundtable workshops for individuals seeking specific assistance. Club Leadership tables were made available, as were Programs, Exhibits, Secretary's Corner, Treasurer's Table, Juniors, Refreshments and Publications.

Free tickets were made available to each NASC member club. NASC wooden nickels for the 23rd Annual Convention, February 9-11, 1978, Los Angeles Hilton Hotel, were distributed to member clubs. **George Price** was Chairman for the Workshop.

THE THORNTON LETTERS!!

An unusual story of one Confererate Officer's family was presented to **San Bernardino County Coin Club** by **Mr. Dave Wood.** The "Thornton Letters" trace one family's history starting in the year 1822. The letters, ranging from 4 to 12 pages each, number over 1500. Correspondence included letters from Secretary of War Stanton and other Civil War notables on conditions of the times around Richmond, Virginia. Moving from East to West, many of the letters were filled with early California history. Some even bore Colton and San Bernardino postal cancellations.

A complete set of Fractional Currency and nearly a complete set of Confederate Currency was shown. The 68 members and 3 guests who attended the June meeting enjoyed this extraordinary and noteworthy program. **Dave Simpkins,** program chairman, is to be commended.

200 YEARS PLUS ONE!!

Red — White — Blue — Our Colors of Liberty!! The July movie presentation of "Old Glory" was a stirring saga of American heritage. It followed the evolution of the flag from the first English flag — Cross of St. George through the addition of each state and the flags of the Civil War. The flag spells history from the first settler to the addition of the 50th star. Although we have changed the union portion of the flag 27 times, the symbol of freedom still lives on in the 13 stripes. Thanks to SBCCC member **Bill Grant** for this fine presentation.

BUMPER STICKER!!

SURE I'LL TRADE THIS HEAP FOR A 1913 LIBERTY HEAD NICKEL.

CARTONES!!

"Cartones, the Fractional Currency of Mexico", was presented at the **Riverside Coin Club** by the young numismatist **Ted Lopez.** Ted presented the slide program with the case and finesse of one who had given programs for a long time. He answered questions and described the slides fully. It showed he had done his home work. With Juniors such as Ted, the future of our hobby is going to be in good hands.

SPEAKERS PLATFORM:

Milton Doctor, "Peter, the United States Mint's Eagle", **San Fernando Valley Coin Club.**

Mel Dittbenner, "Collecting Foreign Coins by Topie", **Riverside Coin Club.**

Jose Castanada, "Cartones: Fractional Currency of Mexico", **Azteca Numismatic Society.**

Fred Coops, "Development in our Hobby", **Pomona Valley Coin Club.**

George Gaudino, "P.N.C.'s", **Long Beach Coin Club.**

Bill Zollinger, "Russian Space Badges", **Long Beach Coin Club.**

Cliff Roth, "Elongated Cents", **Glendale Coin Club.**

Dr. John A. Venable, "Coin Collecting is Fun and Coin Collectors are Fantastic", **Downey Numismatists.**

Jim Heine, "PNC's On Lindbergh", **La Mesa Numismatic Society,** "Personalized First Day Covers", **Orange County P.N.C. Club.**

Ralph Marx, "Collecting Paper Money", **California Wooden Money Association.**

Albert K. Hall, "Nellie Tayloe Ross, First Woman Director of the United States Mint", **Upland Coin Club, Los Angeles Coin Club.**

James Ray "So Called Dollars", **Fountain Valley Coin Club.**

Mary Louise Charlesworth, Postmaster of Sunland Post Office, "How the Postal Service handles stamps for the collector", **Verdugo Hills Coin Club.**

Robert Patchin, "Gold, Yesterday and Tomorrow", **Tustin Coin Club;** "Collecting for Fun and Profit", **Orange Coast Coin Club.**

C. H. "Cy" Phillips, Jr. "Coins of this Wonderful Land — America", **San Gabriel Valley Coin Club, Torrance Coin Club.**

Jerry Yahalom, "Jerusalem, The Eternal City", **Upland Coin Club.**

Sam Miclean, "Fifty Years of Coin Collecting", **Orange Coast Coin Club.**

Alan Abelson, "A Short Survey of the Political Scene in Israel", **Israel Coin Club of Los Angeles.**

Ben & Claire Abelson, "Portrait of Israel through its 5 Pound Coins", **West Valley Coin Club.**

George Baude, "Coins & Currency of the American Political Scene", **Los Angeles Coin Club;** "Coins & Currency During the Mexico Revolution", **East Los Angeles Coin Club.**

Ralph A. Mitchell, "The Granite Lady", **Torranee Coin Club, Downey Numismatists.**

Richard McDrew of the United States Secret Service, "Counterfeiting U.S. Currency", **Bay Cities Coin Club.**

Al Hoogeveen, "My years collecting Copper, Silver and Gold", **Hemet Numismatic Club.**

Frank Gwodz, "Expanding your Collection and your Knowledge: Egypt a Special Case", **California Foreign Coin Club.**

John E. Lenker, "George III, Good Guy", **Whittier Coin Club, Riverside Coin Club.**

Elizabeth L. Wisslead, "Guide Book of United States Coins", **Los Angeles Coin Club, Long Beach Coin Club,** "Ghost of the Eagle's Past", **Tustin Coin Club, Orange Coast Coin Club.**

William O. Wisslead, "Legend and Tokens of Lady Godiva", **Pomona Valley Coin Club, Santa Ana Coin Club,** "The U.S. Branch Mint at Dahlonega, Georgia", **Bay Cities Coin Club.**

FOR A LAUGH:

Definition of a loser: A man who plays piano in a marching band.

A bore is a person who talks when you want him to listen — to you.

Orange County Philatelic-Numismatic Combination Club — P.N.C. held a White Elephant Sale recently. The profits will help support the SPAN annual Hobby Day during the ANA Convention, Atlanta, Ga. The P.N.C.ers meet at the State Mutual Savings Bldg., 615 E. First Street, Tustin, Calif. at 7:45 p.m. on the third Tuesday each month.

IN MEMORIAM:

From the **San Diego Numismatic Society Bulletin:** A notice in the newspaper just prior to Coinarama called our attention to the death of **Jon Sutherland.** Old time members remember Jon as a junior member of the Society; current members remember that Jon has several times been the featured speaker at both **CSNA** functions as well as our installation dinners.

Jon was only 37 years old, and passed away in a convalescent home after a brief illness. He will be sorely missed by his students at S. D. University as well as numismatic acquaintances.

From the **Downey Numismatist Bulletin: Lester "Bud" Ellis,** president of the Downey Numismatists April 1971, April 1972, passed to his eternal rest, Wednesday, May 11th, at Grass Valley, Calif. Our club, our lives and our world are better because he shared his life with our lives. What better tribute can a man leave than that the world is a better place for his having been here? We will miss him. Our sincere sympathies for his loving wife, Esther.

From the **Fontana United Numismatists Bulletin:** We are sorry to report that we lost one of our good faithful members this month. **Father Peter Lenezyk** passed away. He had been ill for some time, but had attended whenever possible. He will be missed by ever so many.

Mrs. Arthur E. (Claire) Dewey, Brea, Calif., May 28, 1977, **Orange County Coin Club.**

Hazel R. Gillic, May 22, 1977, in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Hazel had just completed the Franklin Mint Cruise and seemed so happy on the ship. She was a long time member of **N.A.S.C.**

R. C. Holiday, active in **N.A.S.C., Los Angeles Coin Club, Torranee Coin Club, Lawndale Coin Club.**

Take Ten

The problems confronting the ANA are of more than a passing interest to all of us who are concerned with the successful continuation of our local coin conventions. It is necessary, and even more important, mandatory, that fairness and consideration for all be the guidelines in reaching the final decision. We will all follow this closely.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER:

To avoid criticism: Do nothing, Say Nothing, Be Nothing . . . Elbert Hubbard.

The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials . . . Chinese proverb.

Things may come to those who wait, but only those things left by those who hustle . . . Abe Lincoln.

Publisher

NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

North of the Tehachapis

By Jerry Kroeger, CSNA 18-4

PLANNING AHEAD

Bakersfield Coin Club is setting in motion the plans for the 1978 Coin Show (see Calendar on back page), along with incentive programs for increasing membership attendance, by having lucky members win at drawings.

John Dilley was the guest speaker at the May meeting with the subject of U.S. Cents.

B.C.C. meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at the Guarantee Savings, 5554 California Street at 7:30 P.M.

BALLOTING

San Jose Coin Club has just proved that every vote counts. In the recent balloting for the 1978 club medal design, the results were a tie and in a runoff ballot, **Ed Heffner** was the winner for the reverse and **Marshall Myers** was the winner for the obverse.

The film "The Granite Lady" was shown in May. **Dick Smith** was the featured speaker in June, speaking on "Philippine Guerrilla Money." In July, **Dennis Hooker** spoke on "Common Sense in Coin Collecting".

The new San Jose Convention Center will be the site of the 1978 San Jose Coin Show. This is a change from the previous location and is hoped to give the club and its patrons a greater stability for future shows.

NEW AUCTIONEER

Sacramento Valley Coin Club heard **Dan Riordan** present a study on "Collecting U.S. Type Coins" along with some interesting examples for all to enjoy.

Elden Enzminger tried his hand at auctioneering and was a big success at the May meeting. You may have a new job, **Elden.** Bishop Manogue High School, 21st and Broadway.

HOBBIES NIGHT

Fresno Numismatic Society had a very popular program at the May meeting, "Other Hobbies Night" was another big success with **Merle Davis** having the "Most Unusual" exhibit of Coin Silver. **John Cowsert** was the "Most Skilled" with his demonstration of Karate.

June meeting program was a slide presentation of U.S. Commemorative Half Dollars.

SUCCESSFUL SHOW

Vallejo Numismatic Society just completed the 5th Annual Coin Show. The success was due to the joint work of all the members with special thanks to: **Bill Cummings** and **Walter Gerth** who had outstanding exhibits; **Dorothy West, Charlotte Champlin** and **Pearl Lieberman** who greeted our guests; **Randy** and **Cheri Harsh** who served refreshments; **Maxine Hopperstad** was in there with raffle tickets; **Mike Turrini** and **Carl Terhune** did our publicity and photography; **Jack Tesolin** who is our President and held it all together.

ANNUAL BANQUET

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society featured for April, **Larry Reppetean** who read the paper by **Albert K. Hall** on "Nellie Tayloe Ross First Woman Director of the U.S. Mint." In May, **Robert Whitehead** spoke on "Presidential Inaugural Items of William McKinley".

In June, 62 members enjoyed the 62nd Annual Banquet. **John Sears** was Chairman with help from **Don Thrall, Frank Strazzarino** and **Milton Strauch.** Present was **Erich Werling,** the earliest member, joining in 1936.

Don't forget! PCNS has a new meeting place, The Marines Memorial Bldg., 609 Sutter Street. Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month at 8 P.M.

SPEAKERS

San Francisco Coin Club has an excellent speaker list for the monthly meetings, starting in April, **O. L. Wallis** spoke on "Admiral Dewey Medals"; in May, **Robert Paeini** from the History Department of Wells Fargo Bank, spoke on the Banks history which included early California history; in June, **Mike Stanley** spoke on U.S. Silver Dollars.

SFCC meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 2800 Taraval Street at 8:00 P.M.

MORE NEWS

Fairfield Coin Club's Bulletin is a new one to your Editor. Many thanks for sending it.

Many fine coin displays were presented at our June meeting. Exhibitors were **George Flannagan, Ellis Grilli** and **Gerry Kammer.**

F.C.C. meets the 4th Wedneseday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at Grace Episcopal Church, 1st & Kentucky Streets.

From the Desk of the Secretary

Charles G. Colver, CSNA 6-1

NEW MEMBERS
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Between the Bookends

The Copper Coinage of Imperial Russia, 1700-1917

By B. F. Brekke. 296 pp. illus. Hard cover. Foerlagshuset Norden AB, Malmoe, Sweden and Galeries des Monnaies of Geneva Lt., 970 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10021. Printed in English. Review by John E. Lenker.

We who collect Russian coppers have been waiting for a long time for this book. There have been previous efforts but they always left the collector of Russian coppers frustrated. They were written in Russian, French or German or worse still for English reading collector, they were incomplete (one recent book left the coins of Peter the Great out entirely).

Not since O. P. Eklund's short listing, which was published in the Numismatist and later by the American Numismatic Association in reprint booklet, has anyone covered the complete Russian field from 1700 to 1917 in English.

In 1958 the late Harry Severin published his Russian gold and platinum book and in 1965 his silver book was published. The last time that I saw Harry, which was shortly after his silver book came out, he told me he was working on the copper book. He said it was a big and difficult job and he was already encountering problems with illustrations and getting it printed. In a letter to me dated "6 Nov. 1965" he wrote: "The copper series, as you well understand is a huge undertaking. On advice, am doing it in separate volumes. Currently have finished a manuscript on Peter I AE which holds some 1500 varieties, including Beard Tokens and their history".

He died before the copper book was completed. Several numismatists considered completing the work that Harry started but each backed off.

B. F. Brekke, whose avid collecting and research of Russian and Scandinavian coins combined with his business enterprises keeps him hopping between Norway, Denmark, Sweden, and Palm Springs, came along and accepted the Russian copper challenge.

He rolled up his sleeves and with grim determination plunged into the job that others had backed away from. He combined his own knowledge gained through extensive research with the works of Chaudoir, Ilyin, Geil, Tolstoi, Petrov, Grand Duke Georgii Mikhailovitch Romanov, Dr. I. G. Spaasky and others and came up with the beautiful work in which he lists over 2500 copper coins of the czars.

Hundreds are illustrated on the 135 pages of engravings. Many illustrations are published for the first time while others are from the Grand Duke's work.

For the illustrations of the coins of Peter the Great, which are not in the Grand Duke's Corpus, Mr. Brekke uses photographs taken of coins of the Grand Duke's own collection, now in the Smithsonian Institution. Photographs of coins from other collections were also used.

In Peter's time the dies frequently broke and there are literally hundreds of varieties with minute differences in the replacement dies. Each one of course made a "die variety" with the differences in cape folds, berries, dots, horse's mane and tail, spear and size or slant of letters in the legends. In his preliminary work Severin had listed 1500 items. Brekke was able to reduce the number to 307 and this appears to be quite adequate. Collectors will be having a thrill finding an occasional unlisted copper.

Mr. Brekke says that he lists only the major varieties and suggests that the specialists use Ilyin if he wants to go more completely into the Peter I series. He even gives the corresponding Ilyin numbers for convenient reference.

The book's pricelist is based on studies of trends, sales and auction catalogues and are the retail prices for "very fine" specimens. The prices are termed "current approximate".

In the more than two centuries involved the Russian mints struck hundreds of millions of coppers in denominations from one-eighth kopek to the ruble. Mr. Brekke lists them all and tells stories about the most interesting ones.

The Brekke book makes knowledge of Russian absolutely unnecessary. Full translations are given for all Russian words.

phrases, mint marks and numerals that appear on these coppers of the ezars.

The numbering system starts anew with each ruler. The coppers of each ruler are listed from the smallest denominations to the largest and by years. The code marks for rarity, edges, originals and novodels is the same as that used by other writers. Weights are given in grams.

He explains the Russian weights, mints, novodels, translations and describes and lists the edges. Sidelights and features are treated under the rulers with which they appear.

The fascinating beard tokens are explained under Peter I. Plate money comes under Catherine I. Along with Catherine II are explained the fascinating Siberian and Cipher series, the Moldavia and Wallachia items, the controversial Swedish 5 kopek, the famous Sestroretsk ruble and the puzzling overstrikes.

Other subjects treated are the patterns of the Berlin and Brussels series, the Armavir rubles, the Crimea and Georgia items and those of the Central Asian Khanates. Not included are the Ionian Islands coppers, those of Russian-Finland or Russian-Poland, but the latter two have been adequately covered by recent writers. Some years ago Mr. Brekke told me that he has been fascinated by the Setroretsk copper ruble of Catherine II.

He has several of these in his own collection and of course devotes 14 pages to this subject. I've always been fascinated by this coin too. At 72mm across and 26mm thick it is truly a spectacular coin. Thirty years ago Abe Kosoff offered me his copper ruble for $250 but unfortunately my budget at the time (we had one baby and the second on the way) didn't include that type of expenditure. I think Abe still has it in his pattern collection. At any rate it appears at $15,000 in Mr. Brekke's price list.

While I had it on approval briefly I took a photo of it with one of my gold rubles and a silver ruble also of Catherine II. This gave a photo showing the same denomination in three different metals. This coin weighs just over a kilo which is an odd coincidence since the metric system hadn't been invented yet. That's about 2.2 pounds.

So if you are interested in Russian coppers the Brekke book is a must for it is the standard work on the subject. It is a large quarto size book printed on fine paper with handsome white cover having color photos of nine coppers. It will go well in any numismatic reference library and is a good companion to the Severin books and to the Grand Duke's Corpus, which was reprinted by Quaterman in 1973.

Mr. Brekke thanks those who helped him in the publication of his book, particularly Randolph Zander, who read and corrected the manuscript.

The copy of the book which was used for this review is now in the California State Numismatic library for the use of you members.

"BELIEVE IT OR NOT!" — Here are coins of three different metals for the same denomination. They are front to rear the gold ruble, silver ruble and copper ruble — all three issued by Empress Catherine the Great of Russia.

Archaic and Classical Greek Coins

By Colin M. Kraay. 1976. 416 pp. illus. Hard Cover. The University of California Press, 2223 Fulton Street, Berkeley, California 94720.

For the serious collector of the coins of the ancient Greek era, the **Archaic and Classical Greek Coins** is a must. These beautiful and interesting coins were issued by leaders and communities between 700 and 300 B.C. They come from the area beginning with Sicily on the west, across the Balkan peninsula, Asia Minor, Egypt and on to the east for the extent of Alexander's empire. The collector of these beauties will need this book as a reference work if for no other reason.

It is the first book to treat the overall picture of Greek coins since Charles Seltman wrote **Greek Coins** which was published in 1933 with second edition in 1955. Author Colin M. Kraay is able to take advantage of the many monographs and writings of recent years on this subject. The rich historical character of these ancient pieces combines with their beauty to stimulate their continued study. Dr. Kraay takes advantage of the great advances made in numismatic research during the past four decades in preparing his work.

As keeper of the Heberden Coin Room in the Ashmolean Museum at Oxford and lecturer on Greek numismatics at the University of Oxford, Dr. Kraay has the wonderful opportunity of living with his subject.

He describes the development of Greek coinage from its beginning until its character was changed by the kingdoms that arose from the empire of Alexander the Great at the end of the fourth century.

He tells how the Greek coinage had been in great variety having been produced by many small, but vigorously independent communities. Each regarded its coinage as a mark of political independence, with most taking pride in the quality and originality of the design.

Dr. Kraay gives separate and parallel historical treatment to the coinage of each geographical area.

He points out the various reasons for which particular coin issues were struck in addition to the routine use of the commercial interests of the community. He tells of coins struck to pay mercenaries, for the dispersal of captured treasure, for wars and for payment of taxes, harbor dues, indemnities and ransom as being among those series issued for special purposes.

The author reveals the development of this, the earliest coinage of the western world, and integrates it into its political history.

The text is fully annotated throughout and contains maps and charts and an extensive bibliography. Of the greatest value of all are the 64 pages of plates illustrating more than 1100 coins from the Ashmolean Museum and the collections of the American Numismatic Society, Berlin's Staatliche Museen, British Museum in London, the Bibliotheque Royale of Brussels and the Cabinet des Medailles of Paris.

All illustrations are from plaster casts of the original coins giving them a pleasing uniformity, which is impossible in photographing the original coins.

(Editor's Note: A copy of this book is in the CSNA library for use of its members.)

The Guide Book of Wooden Money

The seventh edition of **The Guide Book of Wooden Money** will be available to collectors after the American Numismatic Association convention.

Listed within the text will be all known U.S. wooden money from 1931-1976 with a price guide. Also given will be the reason for issue.

Orders should be sent to Wayne Dennis, 18814 Florwood Ave., Torrance, Calif. 90504 or Tom Hudson, 1806 Rogers St., Apt. 3, Long Beach, Calif. 90805.

Remember!

The CSNA library has these and many, many more for your use. Books on most any subject can be yours on loan by writing to Dorothy Beaulieu, 3143 Neal Ave., San Jose, California 95117. All you pay is postage for the use of these numismatic reference books. Write today!

The Association's Magazine

The first CSNA Bulletin appeared in June, 1947, when Leonel C. Panosh, then secretary wrote, "I stuck my neck out and offered to get out this bulletin, so here it is, Volume 1, Number 1. I hope you like it, and if so that you tell me so, but if you don't I hope you tell me why. If your name is not mentioned or your club is not mentioned, it is because nobody told me." This first Bulletin is now a collector's item and is missing from most bound copies in numismatic libraries.

The second Bulletin appeared in September, 1947. These first two numbers were mimeographed on legal-size paper. The format was changed for Volume 1, Number 3, December, 1947. Secretary Panosh commented, "I hope you like the shape of this Bulletin. It was done in this way to make it easier to keep a file of them, which some of you may want to do."

Thereafter, with the lone exception of the January, 1949 issue, the Bulletin was mimeographed in the present size of Calcoin News. Volume 2 also consisted of three numbers, dated January, June and August, 1948. Volume 3 was increased to four numbers January, March, June and October, 1949.

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On April 22, 1956 Charles V. Kappen, professor of journalism at San Jose State, was nominated for the magazine editor by Abe Kosoff. Professor Kappen felt the magazine should have a name other than the simple heading, "California State Numismatic Association," which had appeared on the CSNA Bulletin. He named the magazine Calcoin News, short for California Coin News, which he believed to be one of its purposes. CALCOIN NEWS as a title first appeared on the cover of the March 1950 issue.

"Who's Who in California Numismatics" became a regular feature of the magazine in May, 1950. Dr. Calvert L. Emmons, first president, led the Who's Who list which now totals in the 140's.

Coin articles, in most cases, are papers written by CSNA members. Many of these original articles have been compiled for you in "Money Talks" a hard bound book available from the present day secretary, Charles Colver. This is a 371 page book published in 1970, James L. Betton was editor of the numismatic anthology.

Editors have been Leonel C. Panosh . . . 1947-1949; Charles V. Kappen . . . 1949-1962; Leonel C. Panosh (Acting Editor) . . . 1951-1953; Lesley G. Lodge . . . 1962-1972; Barbara Hyde . . . 1972-1975; Virginia Hall . . . 1975 to date.

Calcoin News entered the ANA competion in 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975 and was judged Best Regional or State Publication for those years.

IT HAPPENED 100 YEARS AGO

AHA! The mystery unravels. Here we've been thinking all along that everything is priced at 99¢ instead of a dollar and at $2.98 instead of $3.00 because the merchants think that the magic under-a-dollar price sounds cheaper and therefore will sell more.

But it's not true. The **real** reason why all of this 99 cents stuff came along . . . was to sell more newspapers.

One hundred years ago, Melville E. Stone, founder of the Chicago Daily News, suggested to merchants that they mark everything down from $1 to 99 cents, etc. He told them they'd sell more that way, but what he really had in mind was that the extra "penny" could buy a newspaper.

Just to make sure that there were enough pennies around, Stone arranged with the U.S. Mint to ship barrels of them to Chicago. Not only that, he also installed a change exchange at the newpaper plant for the convenience of merchants.

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A charge account is a means of buying today what you can't afford tomorrow while you're still paying for what you bought yesterday.

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A store owner wondered how his clerk was living in a penthouse and driving an expensive car on a salary of $90 a week. He asked the clerk, who said, "I sell a thousand raffle tickets a week at a dollar apiece." The owner asked, "What are you raffling off?" The clerk replied, "My paycheck."

CSNA Chuckles . .

"Boy! They gave me a lousy little cramped up booth at the coin show . . . and to top it all off everyone tried to crowd in to make a telephone call!"

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My husband lost the expensive pen I had given him, so we went shopping for a new one. He selected one he liked, and the young saleswoman, eager to please, gave him a pad of paper on which to try the pen. Noticing a Bicentennial plate nearby inscribed with the motto on the great seal of the United States, **E Pluribus Unum**, he wrote those words on the pad. The clerk, who had been watching with interest, turned the pad toward herself and, after reading what my husband had written, said, "Do you like this point or shall I show you a finer one, Mr. Unum?"

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Kissing is expensive as well as bad for the health under new legislation passed in Bangkok, Thailand. Prompted by concern over cleanliness in public places, the municipal council has adopted a resolution forbidding movie goers to kiss. Offenders will be fined 500 baht ($25) each time they are caught.

Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

April 21-23, 1978 . . . . . 62nd Semi-Annual Convention
O. L. Wallis, General Chairman
Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco

October 27-29, 1978 . . . . . 63rd Semi-Annual Convention
Joint Sponsors: Bay Cities Coin Club, Santa Monica
Culver City Coin Club, Culver City
Phil Iverson, General Chairman, P.O. Box 1252, Santa Monica 90401

April 19-22, 1979 . . . . . 64th Semi-Annual Convention
Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco

Fall, 1979 . . . . . 65th Semi-Annual Convention
Orange County Coin Club
Elizabeth L. Wisslead, General Chairman, 2053 Cypress Ave., Santa Ana 92707

May 2-4, 1980 . . . . . 66th Semi-Annual Convention
Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco

Fall, 1980 . . . . . 67th Semi-Annual Convention
San Diego Interclub Numismatic Council

Mr. George Russell, Coordinator, P.O. Box 943, Santa Monica, CA 90406
To be contacted for bourse application to any CSNA convention

OTHERS

Sept. 15-18, 1977 . . . . . Annual Convention
Northern California Numismatic Association
Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco, California

Sept. 18, 1977 . . . . . 8th Annual Coin Show
Calico Coin Club, Masonic Lodge, 27918 W. Main, Barstow
Bourse — Kay King, Babs West, Box 966, Barstow 92311

Sept. 18, 1977 . . . . . 17th Annual Coin Show
Ventura County Coin Club, Holiday Inn, 450 E. Harbor Blvd., Ventura
Gen. Chairman: Don Holladay, Box 3263, Ventura 93003

October 8-9, 1977 . . . . . 10th Annual Coin Show
Numismatic Council of Orange County
Sheraton/Newport Beach Hotel, 4545 MacArthur Blvd., Newport Beach, Ca.

October 8-9, 1977 . . . . . 20th Annual Coin-O-Rama
Sacramento Valley Coin Club, Bishop Manogue High School, 21st & Broadway, Sacramento
Information: Dan Riordan c/o SVCCC, Box 160122, Sacramento, 95816

October 15-16, 1977 . . . . . 17th Annual Coin Show
Cabana Hyatt House Hotel, El Camino Real, Palo Alto
Bourse: Eugene Dyer, Box 1814, Los Gatos 95030
Exhibits: Ed Sins, Box 5075, San Jose 95150

November 6, 1977 . . . . . 12th Annual Coin Show
Santa Cruz Coin Club, Santa Cruz

November 12-13, 1977 . . . . . 13th Annual Coin Show
Delta Coin Club of California
Holiday Inn, 211 North Center Street, Stockton
Bourse: George Brower, 228 North Sutter Street, Stockton 95201

November 13, 1977 . . . . . 13th Annual Coin Show
Conejo Valley Coin Club, 75 West Thousand Oaks Blvd., Howard Johnson's Banquet Room (Moorpark Road Exit off Ventura Freeway)
Information: Lorayne B. Carver, Box 1694, Thousand Oaks 91360

November 13, 1977 . . . . . 10th Annual Coin Show
Mainliner Coin Club, Mainliner Club Bldg., 4024-31 Pacific Blvd., San Mateo
Bourse: Fred van den Haak, Box 11484, Palo Alto 94306

November 18-20, 1977 . . . . . Annual Convention
Philippine Numismatic & Antiquarian Society, Inc., Manila
General Chairman: Philip Liao

November 19-20, 1977 . . . . . 11th Annual Coin-A-Rama
Fresno Numismatic Society, Sheraton Inn, 2550 W. Clinton & Hwy. 99, Fresno
Information: Corinne Dunklee, Yosemite Coins, 163 N. Fresno St., Fresno 93701

December 5, 1977 . . . . . Annual Coin Show
Diablo Numismatic Society, Concord, Ca.